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Dear Wendy R. Dixon, EIS Project Manager,

I'm writing to inform you of my opinion about your decision on the Yucca Mountain Project. I've sat through a lecture in my Environmental Science class and became appalled by this situation. I believe that the most reasonable thing to do in this situation is to stop for a minute and think about our nations future and not what is going to help us a couple of years from now. Why would we want to use so much of people's taxes to make an issue so big and then only fix it for approximately two years. Instead of trying to hide it away for the maximum of ten years before the containers start to leak, we need to find a way to stop producing toxic waste. If we were to spend as much time planning ways to improve our society we wouldn't have the issues that we are facing today.

2... If this is passed many people are going to loose there homes and it is going to affect many people's lives, even those who do not live in Nevada. Over 71% of Nevadans oppose the Yucca Mountain Project, and the Nevada State Legislature went on record in 1989 prohibiting high-level nuclear waste storage and disposal within the state. Has anyone thought about if something is to go wrong with the Yucca Mountain Project who will be to blame of it? I truly do not believe that you have taken into consideration of the consequences that you will receive with this project, with all the time and effort you have put into this project why not try to make the problem become non-existent. And give us a wonderful environment to live in for years to come.

Sincerely,

Patricia Scott

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